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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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The applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) to respond to the Office Action dated 27 February, 2003 in the above mentioned patent application. The non-small entity fee of \$ 410 is hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account number 50-1030.

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The applicant believes that this petition for extension is sufficient to assure timeliness. The applicant nevertheless hereby conditionally petitions for an additional extension under 37 CFR 1.136(a) should same be necessary and hereby authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge fees associated therewith to deposit account number 50-1030.

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